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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Notice of Non-compliant Amendment

1. The amendment filed on 08 March 2004 is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121, as amended on June 30, 2003 (see 68 *Fed. Reg.* 38611, June 30, 2003). In order for the amendment to be compliant, correction of the following is required. **Only the section (1.121(h)) of the amendment containing the omission of non-compliant provision must be resubmitted (in its entirety), e.g. “the amendment to the specification” and the “Claim listing” sections of applicant’s amendment must be re-submitted.**

2. The following item causes the amendment to be non-compliant:

- Applicant has not begun each section of an amendment on a separate sheet. Note that the amendment to the specification appears on a page entitled “Amendment and Election”. Also in this amendment to the specification applicant has not properly identified “carbonal” as a trade name as it needs to be accompanied by its generic terminology.
- Applicant has not amended the claims properly as no status identifiers are utilized. Notice that claims 1-8 do not recite whether they are original claims, currently amended, etc.

3. Since the non-compliant amendment is a reply to a NON -FINAL OFFICE ACTION, and since the amendment appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to be a reply (37 CFR 1.135 (c)), applicant is given a time period of **ONE (1) MONTH** from the mailing date of this notice within which to re-submit the corrected section which complies with

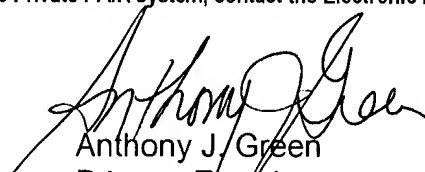
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37 CFR 1,121 in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD ARE AVAILABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Anthony J. Green whose telephone number is 571-272-1367. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday 6:30-4:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mark L. Bell can be reached on 571-272-1362. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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